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## **MANURE APPLICATOR TRAINING STARTS JANUARY 7<sup>th</sup>**

DES MOINES – Training for commercial and confinement site manure applicators starts next week.

“I urge all commercial applicators to attend the Jan. 7 training offered in local Extension offices throughout the state,” said Barb Lynch, chief of DNR field services. “This is a great opportunity to have questions about rules and application answered by experts in the field.”

Confinement site applicators can check with their local Extension offices for training times and dates.

State law requires commercial applicators to take three hours of training or pass an exam. Confinement site applicators must take three two-hour sessions of annual training or pass an exam.

Certificates are now based on the calendar year. All commercial applicators’ certificates expire on Dec. 31, 2002. Confinement site applicators’ certificates expire on Dec. 31 of the third year of the certificate.

All applicators have a two-month grace period after expiration. During January and February of 2003, previously certified applicators can apply manure provided they complete their training requirement and apply for their new certificate on or before Mar. 1, 2003.

Those applicators who cannot attend a scheduled training can pass an exam or watch a training videotape prior to Mar. 1. To schedule, contact DNR field offices for an exam or your local Extension office after Feb. 1 for a video.

A list of training sessions is available on the Iowa Manure Management Action Group's website at <http://extension.agron.iastate.edu/immag/mac.html>. Field office locations and phone numbers are available on the DNR website at [http://www.state.ia.us/dnr/organiza/epd/comp\\_enf/fieldo.htm](http://www.state.ia.us/dnr/organiza/epd/comp_enf/fieldo.htm).

Starting in 2003, the fee for a one-year commercial certificate is \$200 and the fee for a three-year confinement site certificate is \$100. Fees pay for the costs of training and the administration of the program.

**For more information, contact Jeff Prier, environmental specialist, at 712-262-4177.**

## **DNR ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS**

DES MOINES — The DNR has taken the following enforcement actions. Responsible parties have 30 days to appeal the charges or 60 days to pay the penalty.

- Butler Custom Pumping, Inc., of Laurens was ordered to pay a \$2,500 penalty and to comply with minimum manure application requirements.
- Merrell Butler of Butler Custom Pumping Inc., of Laurens was ordered to pay a \$1,000 penalty and to comply with minimum manure application requirements.
- Glen Samuelson of Butler Custom Pumping, Inc., of Laurens was ordered to pay a \$1,000 penalty and to comply with all manure application requirements.
- Mike Girres, of Bode, and Land 'O Lakes, Inc., was ordered to pay a \$2,000 penalty and to comply with minimum manure application requirements.
- C.J. Moyna and Sons, Inc. of Elkador was ordered to pay a \$10,000 penalty, obtain and maintain all required storm water discharge permits, develop and comply with adequate pollution prevention plans at all times and prevent sediment runoff, inspect and repair as necessary erosion/sediment control devices weekly and within 24 hours after each half-inch or greater rainfall event and maintain proper records.
- Monstanto Co. of Aplington and CT Corporation System of Des Moines was ordered to pay a \$3,000 penalty, submit as-built permit applications for all un-permitted emission units at facility, comply with construction permit requirements in the future prior to initiation of construction, alteration or modification of air emission or control equipment and to comply with all air quality construction permit conditions.
- Henry and Craig Pieper of Wever are ordered to pay a \$3,000 penalty, maintain current manure management plans at their operation including records of compliance, report all releases or spills to the DNR and to comply with minimum manure control requirements.
- Welch Oil Co. of Williams was ordered to sample its motel's distribution system for bacteria and nitrate immediately and least once quarterly for bacteria and once annually for nitrate, provide public notice of monitoring deficiencies and to submit a renewal application for a water supply operating permit.
- Mike Coady of Silver Lake Finishing, Fairmont, Minn., was ordered to pay a \$1,500 penalty, ensure manure from its confinement operation is being applied by a certified applicator and to apply manure in accordance with DNR rules.

- Dave Jones of Shannon City was ordered to pay a \$1,550 penalty, obtain confinement site applicator certification and to apply all manure in accordance with DNR rules.
- Langman Construction, Inc., of Rock Island, Ill., was ordered to pay a \$10,000 penalty, to obtain and maintain all required storm water discharge permits, develop and comply with adequate pollution prevention plans at all times to prevent sediment runoff and to inspect and repair, as necessary, erosion control devices weekly and within 24 hours after each half-inch or greater rainfall event.
- St. Luke's Regional Medical Center in Sioux City was ordered to pay a \$2,000 penalty, comply with all requirements and conditions of its air quality permit and to submit copies of reports from its natural gas supplier to the DNR every six months.

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